Met Office Mountain Weather Forecast

Snowdonia National Park

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Wednesday 11 May 2022 until 23:59 on Thursday 12 May 2022

Forecast Issued on Tuesday 10 May 2022 at 15:16

Confidence: Moderate confidence on the details of rain and wind strengths on Wednesday, but high confidence in generally dry and settled conditions returning from Thursday. Moderate for any showers later on Sunday.

Headline for Wednesday 11 May 2022: A wet morning, then brighter with sunny intervals and showers.

Mountain weather hazards on Wednesday 11 May 2022

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Gales
Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Low Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
Low Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Strong sunlight
Medium Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Mist	Light rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Light rain showers	Light rain showers	Light rain showers	Sunny intervals
Precipitation probability							
30%	60%	70%	80%	40%	30%	30%	20%

Forecast for Wednesday 11 May 2022

Weather: Mostly dry at first apart from a brief shower. Quite windy with a chance of gales over the highest summits. Thickening cloud will bring occasional rain later in the night, this probably turning persistent by dawn, particularly in the south and west. A wet morning for most of the area, but the rain probably turning more intermittent with drier spells. Brighter skies arriving from the west by early afternoon with sunny spells and a few showers for the rest of the day.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 30% at first, locally less than 10% in the south and west. Becoming 70% through the afternoon.

Low Cloud and visibility: Periods of cloud developing above 600m during the early hours, this most persistent on southern and western facing slopes. Persistent cloud above 400-500m from dawn until late morning in the south and west but generally above 600-800m in the north and east. Very poor visibilities in the cloud and rain but occasionally good, especially in more northern areas. Becoming widely very good visibility by early afternoon with cloud lifting to patches above 900m. Excellent air clarity developing with distant hills clear to see below cloud bases. Patches of cloud around 700-800m during any showers.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
900	38/49 SW	35/45 SW	25/32 SW	17/23 SW	16/23 W	18/26 W	19/26 W	17/22 W	20/27 W
600	27/37 SW	25/34 SW	19/26 SW	14/20 SW	13/20 W	15/23 W	15/21 W	11/16 SW	12/19 W
300	18/32 SW	16/30 SW	13/23 SW	10/18 SW	10/18 W	12/21 W	11/18 W	7/14 SW	9/17 W
Valley	17/31 SW	16/29 SW	12/22 SW	10/18 SW	10/17 W	12/21 W	11/20 W	8/16 SW	10/19 W

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
900	5/-2	5/-2	4/-1	4/-1	5/0	6/1	5/-0	4/-1	3/-2
600	7/2	7/2	6/2	7/3	7/4	8/4	7/4	6/3	5/2
300	10/6	9/6	9/6	9/7	10/8	11/8	10/8	8/6	8/5
Valley	11/8	11/8	10/8	11/9	11/9	12/10	11/9	10/8	9/7
Freezing Level*	1500m	1600m	1400m	1400m	1400m	1400m	1400m	1400m	1300m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

Whilst some rain is likely on Wednesday morning, there remains some uncertainty regarding how widespread and heavy this will be across Snowdonia. Southern parts of the National park are most likely to see a few hours of persistent and fairly heavy rain, whilst mountains north of the Snowdon Range may see lesser amounts of rain.

Forecast for Thursday 12 May 2022

Weather: The possibility of a few light showers during the morning, but otherwise a generally dry day with sunny periods and variable amounts of cloud. Breezy but feeling warm in the sunshine.

Maximum wind: Westerly 15mph gusting 25mph increasing to westerly 20-25mph gusting 30-40mph.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 80% but 40% in the Snowdon Range and Carneddau at first.

Low Cloud and visibility: Periods of cloud above 700-800m during the early hours, this locally persistent on west facing slopes during the first part of the morning. Cloud lifting to patches above 950-1000m by noon with most summits cloud free during the afternoon and evening. Generally very good visibilities with distant hills clear to see, however locally very poor in cloud and possibly briefly moderate in any morning showers.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Plus 7 Celsius rising to plus 13 Celsius.
At 800m: Plus 5 Celsius.
Freezing level: Above the summits.

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